

TOWN OF AMENIA
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday, October 20, 2011
Amenia Town Hall

Supervisor Euvrard called **Regular Board Meeting** to order at 7:00 pm.

Salute to the flag was conducted with moment of silence for our brave troops serving worldwide and for lost loved ones.

Emergency Exits behind the Town Clerk and at the rear of the room behind the audience at the door entered.

ROLL:	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kevin Cassone announced that free daffodil bulbs are available to Amenia and Wassaic residents thru proceeds from the **Hidden Gardens of Amenia**. Bulbs can be picked up at Diana King's porch, 39 Old North Road, Amenia, beginning October 24th.

Justin Swingen, Transportation Program Director from **Northeast Community Center** in Millerton, announced the availability of transportation to Amenia residents for doctor appointments and shopping. Curb to curb service will be available four to six days a week. NECC will be contracting with Dutchess County to provide a 20 passenger wheelchair accessible buses. NECC is requesting that townships in Dutchess County sponsor and contribute monies to this program. Townships would enter into contract(s) with Dutchess County, and NECC non-profit organization, based on population. Michael Hayes, Town Attorney, explained the legal restraints and contracts would be required with Dutchess County and NECC.

Tonya Schoumatoff announced seminar to be held in Millerton for restorative ("GREEN") approaches for infrastructures, aquifers; available to Highway Supervisors in Amenia and Millerton. Louis Benson of Dover, NY has donated Amenia postcards dated from the 1900's to the Amenia Historical Society. Ms. Schoumatoff requested that Wassaic Trail to the Train committee members be included in the first meeting with WSP Sells, contractor.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Highway

Stanley Whitehead, Highway Superintendent recommended that capital project be established for new highway garage, to include use of cell tower monies.

Water Department

Marco D'Antonio submitted monthly water report.

Town Clerk

Maureen Bonds reported that minutes for Budget Workshops held in September and October will be available for review by town board members and copies will be filed in the Town Clerk's office. Summary of minutes are for **Record Purposes** only. Michael Hayes, Town Attorney, confirmed that budget workshop minutes do not require approval by town board members.

Town Clerk's office will be closed on Tuesday, November 8th Election Day, and Friday, November 11th for Veterans Day.

Halloween Curfew

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to ASSIGN a curfew at 8:00pm on Monday, October 31, 2011 for those 18 years and younger in the Town of Amenia.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEES

Recreation Commission

Michael Murnane, Chairman, reported that supplies are needed for ballpark fields and will be discussed at next Recreation Meeting. Trash removal, post and rail fence deterioration, picnic table repair issues need to be addressed.

Successful applicant for volunteer position will be announced at next board meeting.

Historian

Arlene Iuliano submitted updates for Dutchess County Tourism events.

Town of Amenia quilt square has been delivered to the Historian Exchange in Albany, NY.

Louis Benson has donated a corn planter and two milk cans to the Amenia Historical Society.

MOTION by Councilwoman Perotti, SECOND by Councilwoman Riemer to AUTHORIZE Supervisor Euvrard to sign contract agreement **WSP Sells** for the **Wassaic Trail to the Train** project.

ROLL:	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

Grants

Michael Hagerty submitted updated grant report; to include current applications.

Snow Removal 2011-2012

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti to AWARD 2011-2012 Snow Removal Bid to **Al Smith & Son**, Dover, New York in the amount of \$14,500.

ROLL:	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

DISCUSSION:

Establish capital project(s) before end of year.

Monies available thru grants for generator – All Hazards Mitigation(Councilman Cayea)

Court Room mold issue. Claudia Rinaldi, Secretary to Supervisor, has obtained contractor Inspection Report on mold test, gutters and down spout repair.

Budget Workshop scheduled for October 27, 2011 at 5:30pm to discuss capital projects, general budget issues.

Assistance in composting, removal of brush, twigs for area residents.

RESOLUTION #43 OF 2011

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE SCENIC PROTECTION OVERLAY DISTRICT ZONING MAP AND TEXT REVISIONS. THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA ADOPTS A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE REASONS ARTICULATED IN THE EAF, IN THE “NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE” (REVISED FROM SEPTEMBER 15, 2011) AND IN THE “STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND INTENT” CONTAINED IN THE PROPOSED LAW.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea that was:
ADOPTED -VOTE

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

RESOLUTION #42 OF 2011

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2011, ENTITLED
“A LOCAL LAW AMENDING SECTIONS 121-7 (B), 121-14.1 (A) AND
121-14.1 (B) OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA TOWN CODE (SCENIC PROTECTION
OVERLAY DISTRICT), AND AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE
TOWN OF AMENIA BY REVISING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE SCENIC
PROTECTION OVERLAY DISTRICT”.**

MOTION by Councilman Cayea, SECOND by Councilwoman Doyle that was;
ADOPTED-VOTE

ROLL:	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

RESOLUTION #45 OF 2011

**A RESOLUTION INTRODUCING THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED LOCAL LAW,
TO BE KNOWN AS PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #4 OF 2011, ENTITLED “A LOCAL
LAW AMENDING SECTIONS 105-12 (I), 13 (A) (2), 105-13 (F) (3) OF THE TOWN
OF AMENIA TOWN CODE, AND SECTIONS I.5, II.7, AND III.6 OF APPENDIX B
TO CHAPTER 105 OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA TOWN CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR
THE AUTOMATIC EXPIRATION OF PRELIMINARY SUBDIVISION APPROVAL
AND CONDITIONAL FINAL SUBDIVISION APPROVAL”.**

MOTION by Councilwoman Doyle, SECOND by Councilwoman Riemer that was;
ADOPTED – VOTE

ROLL:	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

Town Clerk to advertise Legal Public Hearing in the Millerton News for scheduled Public Hearing
to be held on November 17, 2011 at 7:00pm at Amenia Town Hall.

RESOLUTION #46 OF 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA TO TRANSFER FUNDS TO INCREASE ENGINEERS CE LINE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,588.60 FOR SERVICES WITH C.T. MALE ASSOCIATES FOR THE AMENIA TOWN HALL NYSEDA IMPROVEMENTS; TO DECREASE BUILDINGS EQ (EQUIPMENT) LINE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000; TO DECREASE BUILDINGS CE (MOWING) LINE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,588.60; TO INCREASE OTHER CULTURAL & RECREATIONAL LINE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000 FROM GRANT MONIES RECEIVED FROM THE BERKSHIRE TACONIC FOUNDATION FOR THE YOUTH DANCE PROGRAM; AND TO INCREASE SPECIAL REC FACILITIES CE (INSTRUCTOR) LINE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000 FOR DANCE INSTRUCTOR SERVICES.

MOTION by Councilman Cayea, SECOND by Supervisor Euvrard that was;
ADOPTED-VOTE

ROLL:	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

Nextel Cell Tower

Bill Flood, Planning Board Chairman, reported that Planning Board met with Zoning Board of Appeals. Nextel application to extend lease for ten years. Public Hearing is scheduled for December 1, 2011 at 7:00pm in Planning Board Meeting Room.

2012 Amenia Preliminary Budget

Supervisor Euvrard explained taxable assessment values; General and Highway good fund balance. Councilwoman Riemer requested more detailed information on summary sheet, regarding taxable assessment, and percentages that could be clearly understood.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to ACCEPT Minutes of Town Board Business Workshop on September 8, 2011 and Regular Town Board Meeting on September 15, 2011.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Euvrard reported that Amenia Historical Society archival records have been moved from Maplebrook School to Amenia Town Hall for storage.

Supervisor suggested that two large trees in front of Amenia Town Hall be decorated for "Holiday of Lights" event.

TOWN BOARD COMMENTS

Councilwoman Riemer suggested that residents are notified of poll site locations for Districts 1 & 4 for next Election Day.

Council Doyle and Cayea have contacted Bill Carroll regarding budget issue. To be discussed further.

Councilwoman Perotti advised that applications are available for Rebuilding Together program.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tonya Schoumatoff voiced concern about school taxes and turnover of Webutuck School Superintendents.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to ADJOURN Regular Board Meeting at 8:54pm with motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Maureen Bonds
Amenia Town Clerk

Draft to Town Board: November 14, 2011
Approved by Town Board: November 17, 2011